

**Amendment to the Claims:**

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended)      [[A]] The method as claimed in claim [[1]] 4, wherein the allocation unit transmits an encoded light pulse.

3. (Currently Amended)      [[A]] The method as claimed in claim [[1]] 4, wherein the allocation unit transmits an encoded radio signal.

5      4. (Currently Amended)      A method of allocating network elements to a wireless network ~~as claimed in claim 1~~, wherein an allocation unit transmits a code to a first network element, which causes the first network element to transmit its ID together with the code so that the latter can be received by a second network element which allocates the first network element to its network and wherein the activation of [[NE-2]] the second network element to receive the encoded ID from [[NE-1]] the first network element takes place by receiving the code from the allocation unit.

5. (Currently Amended)      [[A]] The method as claimed in claim [[1]] 4, wherein the allocation unit [[can]] receives the encoded ID from [[NE-1]] the first network element and transmit it to [[NE-2]] the second network element.

6. (Currently Amended)      [[A]] The method as claimed in claim [[1]] 4, wherein the allocation unit [[can]] transmits a second code which causes [[a]] the first network element to leave the network of the second network element.

7. (Currently Amended)      [[A]] The method as claimed in claim [[1]] 4, wherein the allocation unit [[can]] transmits a second code which causes the second network element, which has a network administration function, to break up the network.

8. (Currently Amended)      [[A]] The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the second code for removing network elements or for breaking up the network ~~exists in~~includes the first code being transmitted over a longer time period or a number of times.

9. (Currently Amended)      An allocation unit for allocating network elements to a wireless network, comprising:

a transmitter which transmits, in a user-controlled manner, a code to a first network element, which code causes the first network element to transmit its ID together with the code ~~so that the latter can be received by~~ a second network element which allocates the first network element to its network.

10. (Currently Amended)      [[An]] The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, wherein the transmitter comprises:

a device for transmitting an encoded light pulse and/or an encoded radio signal.

11. (Currently Amended)      [[An]] The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, wherein the code which causes the first network element to transmit its ID together with the code causes the second network element ~~to be ready to receive the encoded first network element ID~~ from [[NE-1]] the first network element.

12. (Currently Amended)      [[An]] The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, ~~wherein there is additionally~~ further including:

a receiver ~~for receiving~~ which receives encoded IDs.

13. (Currently Amended)      [[An]] The allocation unit as claimed in claim 9, ~~wherein there is additionally~~ further including:

one or more devices ~~for displaying the~~ which display a respective operating state.

14. (Currently Amended)      [[An]] The allocation unit as claimed  
in claim 9, ~~wherein there is additionally further including:~~

5                                      a transmitter which transmits, in a user-controlled manner, a second  
code which causes the first network element to leave the network of the second  
network element or which causes the second network element, which has a network  
administration function, to break up the network.

15. (New)                              A system for allocation medical network devices  
to a wireless network comprising:

   an allocation unit which transmits an encoded code in response to a user  
command;

5                                      a unassigned first medical network device which receives the encoded  
code and transmits an encoded first ID medical network device with the encoded code  
in response to the reception of the encoded code;

   a second medical network medical device, assigned to an existing  
network and having network administration functions, which second medical  
10 network device receives the encoded first medical network device ID and assigns the  
first medical network device to the existing network in response to the reception of  
the encoded code from the allocation unit.

16. (New)                              The system as claimed in claim 15, wherein the  
allocation unit transmits an encoded light pulse.

17. (New)                              The system as claimed in claim 15, wherein the  
allocation unit transmits an encoded radio signal.